

under this part, shall enter that operation in the records on the same day on which the operation occurred. However, the daily posting of records may be deferred to conform to the permittee's normal accounting cycle if (a) supporting or supplemental records are prepared at the time of the operation, and these supporting or supplemental records are to be used to post the daily record, and (b) the deferral of posting does not pose a jeopardy to the revenue.

§20.267 Filing and retaining records.

Any person who is required to maintain records of operations under this part shall file and retain records and copies of reports in the following manner:

(a) Keep on file for a period of not less than 3 years after the date of the report covering the operation, in such a way as to allow inspection by ATF officers, all those records of operations, all supporting or supplemental records, and copies of all reports submitted to the regional director (compliance). However, the regional director (compliance) may require that the records and copies of reports be kept for an additional period, not to exceed 3 years.

(b) File all records and copies of reports at the premises where the operations are conducted.

(c) Make the files of records and copies of reports available to ATF officers during regular business hours for examination.

§20.268 Photographic copies of records.

(a) *General.* Permittees may record, copy, or reproduce required records. Any process may be used which accurately reproduces the original record, and which forms a durable medium for reproducing and preserving the original record.

(b) *Copies of records treated as original records.* Whenever records are reproduced under this section, the reproduced records will be preserved in conveniently accessible files, and provisions will be made for examining, viewing, and using the reproduced records the same as if they were the original record, and they will be treated and considered for all purposes as though

they were the original record. All provisions of law and regulations applicable to the original are applicable to the reproduced record. As used in this section, "original record" means the record required by this part to be maintained or preserved by the permittee, even though it may be an executed duplicate or other copy of the document.

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